

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed January 10, 2007 and references cited therein have been reviewed. Applicants have canceled claims 78 and 96, and amended claims 77, 80, 93 and 114. Applicants note that claims 59-76 have been allowed over the cited art of record. Applicants also note that claims 96-106, 108, 111-115 were objected to, but would be allowable if placed in independent form. Applicants further note that claims 77, 83, 85, 93-95 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Ashton, and that claims 107, 109 and 110 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Ashton in view of Qiu.

A review of the Office Action reveals that there was no indication regarding the allowance or rejection of claims 78-82, 84 and 86-92. Applicants note that the objected to claims 96-106, 108, 111-115 include the same or similar limitations as set forth in claims 78-82, 84 and 86-92. As such, Applicants will assume for purposes of this Amendment that claims 78-82, 84 and 86-92 are also objected to, but would be allowable if placed in independent form.

Applicants amended claim 114 to change the dependency to claim 113.

Applicants amended claim 77 to include the limitation of claim 78. Claim 78 has been canceled and the dependency of claim 80 has been changed from claim 78 to claim 77. Applicants submit that claim 77 and all the claims dependent therefrom are allowable over the cited art of record.

Applicants amended claim 93 to include the limitation of claim 96. Claim 96 has been canceled. Applicants submit that claim 93 and all the claims dependent therefrom are allowable over the cited art of record.

Applicants submit that in view of the action taken above, all the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,
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